Resource Guide to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act



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Dear Friend,

To address the recent and accelerating decline in our nation's economy, in February, Congress passed and the President signed H.R. 1, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The bill contains a mixture of tax cuts and investments to help stimulate growth and create and save jobs.

Information about federal grant funding is available at www.grants.gov. In addition, to further assist individuals, businesses, community organizations and local governments seeking resources from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act I have created this resource guide. Please note, the information contained within is by no means exhaustive, and will be updated periodically with new details as they become available.

I also encourage you to visit www.recovery.gov for additional information about the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, and follow the links to both "State Progress and Resources" as well as "Agency Progress and Resources" to learn more about available funding.

I hope you will find this information useful. Should you have any specific questions or concerns about funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, I invite you to contact my economic development coordinator, Elizabeth Higgins, in my Scottsdale office at (480) 946-2411.

Sincerely,

Harry E. Mitchell Member of Congress

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SMALL BUSINESS PROVISIONS

Administrator: Karen Gordon Mills Main Website: http://www.sba.gov/

http://www.sba.gov/recovery/index.html **Recovery Website:**

SBA Answer Desk Phone: 1-800-U-ASK-SBA SBA Answer Desk Email: answerdesk@sba.gov

Arizona SBA District Office 2828 North Central Ave, Suite 800 Phoenix, AZ 85004-1093

http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/az/index.html

U.S. Small Business Administration

Program:

(602) 745-7200

7(a) Loan Guarantee Program - Temporary Fee Reductions or Eliminations

Funding Amount:

\$375 million

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$375 million for temporary fee reductions or eliminations on Small Business Administration (SBA) loans. Most fees are

reduced or elimisnated through September 2010 on certain SBA loans.

Program:

504 Loan Program

Funding Amount: \$375 million

Description:

These funds are provided to ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans. 504 loans may be used for purchasing land and improvements, including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping;

construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing facilities;

or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment.

Program:

90 Percent Guarantee

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act allows the SBA to raise its loan guarantee from the current levels to as much as 90 percent for some loans. At present, SBA can guarantee loans up to 85 percent on loans up to \$15,000 and up to 75% on loans greater than \$150,000. The 50 percent guarantee on SBA Express loans would remain

unchanged.

Program:

Business Stabilization Loans

Funding Amount:

\$225 million

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act creates a new SBA loan program to provide deferred-payment loans of up to \$35,000 to viable small businesses that need the money to make payments on an existing, qualifying loan for up to six months. These loans will be 100 percent guaranteed by SBA. Repayment would not have to begin until 12 months after the loan is fully disbursed.

Microloans **Funding Amount:**

Program:

\$30 million

Website:

http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$30 million for expanding SBA's Microloan program, enough to finance up to \$50 million in new lending and \$24 million in technical assistance grants to microlenders. This expands SBA's Microloan program, which provides small loans (up to \$35,000) paired with technical assistance to start-up. newly established or growing small businesses. Historically, these loans reach low-

income individuals, women and minorities in both rural and urban areas. The program is expanded through September 30, 2010.

Program: SBA Loan Refinancing

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act authorizes refinancing for certain SBA

loans so borrowers can expand their businesses on favorable terms, and help create jobs in their communities. This loan authority is through the 504 Certified Development

Company program.

Program: Secondary Market Expansion

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act authorizes SBA to establish a secondary

market for pools of "first lien" loans under the 504 program. These "first lien" loans from commercial lenders currently have no SBA guarantee. The Act authorizes SBA to deploy federal guarantees for pools of these first lien loans, so that they can be sold to investors in a secondary market. Providing liquidity for these first mortgages will help encourage lenders to continue participating in SBA's 504 loan program, which provides a key source

of capital for community development and other projects.

The Act also empowers SBA to set up a Secondary Market Lending Authority that would make direct loans to broker-dealers that participate in the secondary market for SBA

guaranteed 7(a) loans.

Program: Surety Bonds
Funding Amount: \$15 million

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act raises the maximum contract amount that

can be covered by an SBA guaranteed surety bond from \$2 million to \$5 million, and, under certain circumstances, for contracts amounting to \$10 million, and provides

additional funds to cover the costs of expanding this program.

Small businesses need surety bonds in order to bid on and obtain many federal and other

contracts. SBA guarantees surety bonds to small businesses that private surety

companies would not otherwise be able to extend.

More Information: http://www.sba.gov/idc/groups/public/documents/az phoenix/az spot suretybonds.pdf

Program: Investment Program

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act helps SBA-licensed Small Business

Investment Companies (SBICs) and families of SBIC funds better leverage the capital they use to invest in small businesses. The Recovery Act sets maximum levels of funding the agency can provide to these companies at up to three times the private capital raised by those companies, or \$150 million, whichever is less. It also raises the percentage any one SBIC can invest in a single small business to 10 percent of total capital, and raises from 20 percent to 25 percent the percentage of any licensee's dollar investments that

must be made in "smaller" businesses.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Secretary: Tom Vilsack

Main Website: http://www.usda.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.usda.gov/recovery



Program: Rural Water and Environmental Programs (Competitive)

Funding Agency: United States Department of Agriculture

Funding Amount: \$1.38 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/az/

Description: The USDA's Rural Development Department administers a grant and loan program for

water and wastewater infrastructure projects in rural areas, cities, and towns with

populations of 10,000 or fewer.

Who is Eligible: Eligible projects include but are not limited to drinking water, sanitary sewer, solid waste

and storm drainage facilities. Public entities or non-profit organizations may qualify for assistance. Grants are also made to non-profit organizations to provide technical

assistance and training to assist rural communities with their water, wastewater, and solid

waste problems.

More Information: For more information, contact:

USDA's Phoenix Area Rural Development office

230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 206

Phoenix, AZ 85003 Phone: (602) 285-6370 Fax: (602) 285-6379

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/az/PhoenixLst.htm

Program: Community Facilities Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development Program

Funding Amount: \$130 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/

Description: USDA's Rural Development administers the Community Facilities Program to develop

essential community facilities for public use in rural areas. The American Recovery and

Reinvestment Act provides \$130 million to support this program.

Community facilities include schools, libraries, childcare, hospitals, medical clinics, assisted living facilities, fire and rescue stations, police stations, community centers,

public buildings and transportation.

The Community Facilities Program utilizes three flexible financial tools to achieve this goal: the Community Facilities Guaranteed Loan Program, the Community Facilities

Direct Loan Program, and the Community Facilities Grant Program. The Maximum Grant

can be up to 75% of total project cost.

Who is Eligible: Rural area is defined as areas with populations of 20,000 or less. Public bodies and

nonprofit organizations can apply.

More Information: For more information, contact:

USDA's Phoenix Area Rural Development office

230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 206

Phoenix, AZ 85003 Phone: (602) 285-6370 Fax: (602) 285-6379

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/az/PhoenixLst.htm

Program: Rural Utilities Service – Broadband (Competitive)

Funding Agency: United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development Program

Funding Amount: \$2.5 Billion (Federal)
Website: http://www.usda.gov/rus/

Description: USDA's Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service aims to create and modernize rural

telecommunications services across the United States. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$2.5 billion for Broadband loans, loan guarantees, and grants.

At least 75% of the area that will be served by a project receiving these funds must be in a rural area previously lacking sufficient access to high-speed broadband services.

Priority will be given to projects that can commence promptly.

The Secretary of Agriculture is required to submit a report on planned spending and

actual obligations no later than 90 days after enactment.

Who is Eligible: Rural area is defined as areas with populations of 20,000 or less. Public bodies and

nonprofit organizations can apply.

More Information: To date, no further details about this program have been released. I encourage you to

visit the U.S. Department of Agriculture website at http://www.usda.gov and

http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more information.

You can also contact:

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Phoenix, AZ 85003 Phone: (602) 285-6370 Fax: (602) 285-6379

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/az/PhoenixLst.htm

Program: Watershed Rehabilitation

Funding Agency: USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service

Funding Amount: \$50 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/WSRehab/index.html

Description: The authority for rehabilitation of aging watershed dams is included in section 14 of the

Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (PL 83-566). Any of the over 11,000 dams in 47 states that were constructed under the four watershed programs (PL-534, PL-566, Pilot, or RC&D) are eligible for assistance under this authority. Many of these dams are nearing the end of their 50-year design life. Rehabilitation of these dams is needed to

address critical public health and safety issues in these communities.

Who is Eligible: Priority for funding of projects is based on a priority ranking system that considers the

condition of the dam and number of people at risk if the dam should fail. NRCS may

provide technical assistance and 65% of the total rehabilitation project cost.

More Information: Visit http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/WSRehab/index.html for more information on

this program. For more information, you can also contact:

NRCS Arizona State Office 230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 509

Phoenix, AZ 85003-1733 Phone: (602) 280-8801 Fax: (602) 280-8809

http://www.az.nrcs.usda.gov/contact/directory/azsocontact1.html

Program: Watershed Operations and Flood Prevention Funding Agency: USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service

Funding Amount: \$145 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/watershed/index.html

Description: This voluntary program provides assistance to sponsoring local organizations of authorized watershed projects, planned and approved under the authority of the

Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (P.L. 83-566), and designated watersheds authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1944 (P.L. 78-534).

Who is Eligible: Priority for funding of projects is based on a priority ranking system. NRCS provides

technical and financial assistance to States, local governments and Tribes (as project sponsors) to implement authorized watershed project plans for the purpose of watershed protection; flood mitigation; water quality improvements; soil erosion reduction; rural, municipal and industrial water supply; irrigation water management; sediment control; fish and wildlife enhancement; and wetlands and wetland function creation and restoration.

There are over 1,500 active or completed watershed projects.

More Information: Visit http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/watershed/index.html for more information on

this program. For more information, you can also contact:

NRCS Arizona State Office 230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 509 Phoenix, AZ 85003-1733 Phone: (602) 280-8801 Fax: (602) 280-8809

http://www.az.nrcs.usda.gov/contact/directory/azsocontact1.html

Program: Emergency Watershed Protection - Floodplain Easements

Funding Agency: USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service

Funding Amount: \$145 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ewp/Floodplain/index.html

Description: Floodplain easements restore, protect, maintain, and enhance the functions of the

floodplain; conserve natural values including fish and wildlife habitat, water quality, flood water retention, ground water recharge, and open space; reduce long-term federal disaster assistance; and safeguard lives and property from floods, drought, and the products of erosion. NRCS may purchase easements on floodplain lands that meet program criteria. Purchases are based upon established priorities. The easement provides NRCS with the authority to restore and enhance the floodplain's functions and values. Landowners retain several rights to the property, including quiet enjoyment, the right to control public access, and the right to undeveloped recreational use such as

hunting and fishing.

Who is Eligible: Priority for funding of projects is based on a priority ranking system.

More Information: Visit http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ewp/Floodplain/index.html for more information

on this program. For more information, you can also contact:

NRCS Arizona State Office 230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 509 Phoenix, AZ 85003-1733

Phone: (602) 280-8801 Fax: (602) 280-8809

http://www.az.nrcs.usda.gov/contact/directory/azsocontact1.html

Program: Rural Housing Insurance Fund

Funding Agency: USDA – Rural Development – Rural Housing Service

Funding Amount: \$200 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/

Description: Funding will be provided through direct and guaranteed loans for single-family homes,

rental and cooperative housing, and rural housing sites.

More Information: At this time, further information on this program is unavailable. Please check

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

USDA's Phoenix Area Rural Development office

230 North 1st Avenue, Suite 206

Phoenix, AZ 85003 Phone: (602) 285-6370 Fax: (602) 285-6379

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/az/PhoenixLst.htm

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY/ U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

EPA Administrator: Lisa Jackson EPA Main Website: http://www.epa.gov/

EPA Recovery Website: http://www.epa.gov/recovery/

USACE Commanding Gen.: Robert L. Van Antwerp
USACE Main Website: http://www.usace.army.mil/

USACE Recovery Website: http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY

Main Telephone Number: 202-761-0011

Program: Brownfields Evaluation and Clean-Up **Funding Agency:** Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$100 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm

Description: Brownfields are real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be

complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Brownfields Program provides direct funding for brownfields assessment, cleanup, revolving loans, and environmental job training. EPA's Regional Office administers this grant program.

Brownfields Grants are divided into Assessment Grants, Revolving Loan Fund Grants, Cleanup Grants, Job Training Grants and Training, Research, and Technical Assistance

Grants. For information about each grant program, you can visit

http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/pilot.htm.

Who is Eligible: Funding is provided in the form of low interest loans, job training grants and technical

assistance to local governments and non-profit organizations.

State, local, and tribal governments, legislatures, general purpose units of local government, land clearance authorities or other quasi-governmental entities and non-

profit organizations are eligible.

More Information: Visit http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm for Grant and funding

information.

You can also contact:

U.S. EPA Region 9 Office 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco. CA 94105

(866) EPA-WEST

Program: Clean Water State Revolving Fund Funding Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$4 Billion (Federal) \$26,737,000 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/

Description: Recovery funds for The Clean Water State Revolving Fund provide relief to communities

by requiring a greater Federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for States to reach communities that would otherwise not have the

resources to repay a loan with interest.





Loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants; agricultural, rural, and urban runoff control; estuary improvement projects; wet weather flow control, including storm water and sewer overflows; alternative treatment technologies; and water reuse

and conservation projects.

Who is Eligible: Funding provided to states is used to makes loans to communities, individuals, and

others for high-priority water-quality activities

More Information: For more information, contact:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Phoenix Main Office 1110 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 771-2300

http://www.azdeq.gov/function/about/contact.html

Program: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Funding Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

\$55,340,000 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwsrf/index.html

Description: Recovery funds for The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund provide relief to

communities by requiring a greater Federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for States to reach communities that would otherwise not

have the resources to repay a loan with interest.

Loans can be used for the installation and replacement of failing treatment facilities,

eligible storage facilities and transmission and distribution systems

Who is Eligible: Funding provided to states is used to makes loans to communities, individuals, and

others for high-priority water-quality activities

More Information: For more information, contact:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Phoenix Main Office 1110 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 771-2300

http://www.azdeg.gov/function/about/contact.html

Program: Hazardous Substance Superfund Hazardous Waste Cleanup

Funding Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$600 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/npl/index.htm

Description: The superfund remedial program addresses contamination from uncontrolled releases at

hazardous and toxic waste sites that threaten human health and environment.

Who is Eligible: Funds will be limited to the 1,255 sites on its National Priority List of superfund remedial

sites.

More Information: For more information, contact:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Phoenix Main Office 1110 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 771-2300

http://www.azdeg.gov/function/about/contact.html

Program: Diesel Emission Reduction Act Grant Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$300 Million (Federal)

Website: http://epa.gov/otaq/eparecovery/

Description: Recovery funds used for the Diesel Emission Reduction Act Grant Program provide

competitive grants fund technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs - 70% of the funding supports nation-wide, **competitive grants**, the remaining

30% funds grants to states with approved programs

Who is Eligible: Eligible applicants include: U.S. regional, state, local, tribal or port agencies with

jurisdiction over transportation or air quality, nonprofit organizations or institutions that

represent or provide pollution reduction or educational services to persons or organizations that operate diesel fleets, and entities whose principle purpose is the

promotion of transportation or air quality

More Information: View http://epa.gov/otag/eparecovery/ for additional program and funding information.

You can also contact:

U.S. EPA Region 9 Office 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

(866) EPA-WEST

Program: Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust

Funding Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Funding Amount: \$200 million (Federal)

Website: http://www.epa.gov/swerust1/ltffacts.htm

Description: Congress created the Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Trust Fund in 1986 by

amending Subtitle I of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The LUST Trust Fund has two purposes. First, it provides money for overseeing and enforcing corrective action taken by a responsible party, who is the owner or operator of the leaking UST. Second, the Trust Fund provides money for cleanups at UST sites where the owner or operator is unknown, unwilling, or unable to respond, or which require emergency action.

Who is Eligible: Grants will be awarded through the Leaking Underground Storage Tanks (LUST)

Program (administered by the EPA). Priority will be given based on LUST's scoring of

sites

More Information: For more information about UST/LUST Programs in Arizona, visit

http://www.epa.gov/oust/states/az.htm

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Tank Programs Division 1110 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

UST Phone: 602-771-4255 LUST Phone: 602-771-4303

Fax: 602-771-4900

Program: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Construction

Funding Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY

Description: Recovery funding allocated provides public engineering and construction services for

navigation, flood and storm protection, ecosystem restoration, environmental protection,

and an array of other purposes.

Who is Eligible: Funding included is to be used for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.

More Information: A list of regional contacts who can provide a list of projects and plans is available at

http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/cms/index.php?option=com content&task=category§i

onid=4&id=19&Itemid=33.

You can also contact:

Arizona/Nevada Area Office

3636 N. Central Ave., Suite 900 Phoenix, AZ 85012-1939

Phone: (602) 640-2015 Fax: (602) 640-5382

Program: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Maintenance

Funding Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY

Description: Recovery funding allocated provides for the operation and maintenance of facilities

constructed by the Corps. Work to be accomplished consists of dredging, repair, and

operation of structures and other facilities.

Who is Eligible: Funding will be provided to existing Corps projects

More Information: A list of regional contacts who can provide a list of projects and plans is available at

http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/cms/index.php?option=com_content&task=category§i

onid=4&id=19&Itemid=33.

You can also contact:

Arizona/Nevada Area Office

3636 N. Central Ave., Suite 900

Phoenix, AZ 85012-1939 Phone: (602) 640-2015 Fax: (602) 640-5382

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Secretary: Ray LaHood
Main Website: http://www.dot.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.dot.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 202-366-4000



Program: Highway Improvement Programs (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Website: http://www.dot.gov/recovery/

http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/rebuilding-infrastructure

Funding Amount: \$27.5 Billion (Federal)

\$521,958,401 (Arizona)

Description: For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects,

traffic signal system upgrades, bridge projects, transit projects and intelligent

transportation systems.

Who is Eligible: Funds are distributed by formula, with a portion of the funds within each State being sub-

allocated by population areas. Funding is distributed directly to State Departments of

Transportation.

More Information: For more Information, contact:

Arizona Department of Transportation

(602) 712-7355

http://www.dot.state.az.us/

Program: Transit Capital Assistance Grants (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Website: http://www.dot.gov/recovery/

Funding Amount: \$8.4 Billion (Federal)

\$100,561,948 (Arizona)

Description: These funds will be used to purchase buses and equipment needed to provide additional

public transportation service and to make improvements to intermodal and transit

facilities.

Funds are distributed through the existing urban and rural transit formulas - 80% of the capital assistance funds are to be distributed through the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) urbanized formula; 10% through their rural formula; and 10% through their growing

states and high density formula

More Information: Check http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Transportation

(602) 712-7355

http://www.dot.state.az.us/

FTA Region IX Office

201 Mission St., Suite 1650 San Francisco, CA 94105-1839

Phone: (415) 744-3133 Fax: (415) 744-2726

Program: Rail and Fixed Guideway Modernization (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Website: http://www.dot.gov/recovery/

http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants financing 3558.html

Funding Amount: \$750 Million (Federal)

Description: These funds will be used for capital projects to modernize or improve existing fixed

guideway systems, including purchase and rehabilitation of rolling stock, track, line equipment, structures, signals and communications, power equipment and substations, passenger stations and terminals, security equipment and systems, maintenance

facilities and equipment, operational support equipment including computer hardware and

software, system extensions, and preventive maintenance.

Who is Eligible: These funds are allocated by a statutory formula to urbanized areas with rail systems that

have been in operation for at least seven years. The formula for allocating funds contains seven tiers. The allocation of funding under the first four tiers is based on data used to apportion the funding in fiscal year 1997. Funding under the last three tiers is apportioned based on the latest available route miles and revenue vehicle miles on segments at least seven years old as reported to the National Transit Database. A threshold level of more than one mile of fixed guideway is required to receive these

funds.

More Information: For More Information Contact: The Office of Program Management, (202) 366-4020

Program: National Surface Transportation Grant Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Website: http://www.dot.gov/recovery/

Funding Amount: \$1.5 Billion (Federal)

Description: These funds will be used to award grants on a competitive basis for projects across all

surface transportation modes that will have a significant impact on the Nation, a

metropolitan area or a region.

Who is Eligible: State and local governments or transit agencies are able to apply for funding under this

program. Eligible projects include but are not limited to highway or bridge projects eligible under title 23, including interstate rehabilitation, improvements to the rural collector road system, reconstruction of the overpasses and interchanges and public transportation projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49. Priority will be given to projects that require a contribution of federal funds in order to complete an overall financing package and to projects that can be completed within 3 years. The minimum grant that can be awarded under this program is \$20 million and the maximum grant is \$300 million. The Secretary may waive the minimum grant size for the purpose of funding significant projects in smaller cities, regions or states as long as 20% of the funds are not

awarded in a single state.

More Information: Funds will be awarded through competitive grants from the U.S. Department of

Transportation. The Secretary is required to publish criteria on the basis for which funds will be awarded within 90 days. Furthermore, the Secretary is required to accept funding applications no later than 180 days after the criteria is announced and select all projects to be funded under this program not 1 year after enactment. Please visit www.grants.gov and http://www.dot.gov/citizen_services/grants_loans as more information will be posted

as it becomes available. Funding is available through September 30, 2011.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Transportation

(602) 712-7355

http://www.dot.state.az.us/

FTA Region IX Office

201 Mission St., Suite 1650 San Francisco, CA 94105-1839

Phone: (415) 744-3133 Fax: (415) 744-2726

Program: Grants to Airports for Infrastructure Improvements (Competitive)

Funding Agency: Federal Aviation Administration Website: http://www.faa.gov/recovery/

http://www.faa.gov/airports airtraffic/airports/aip/media/FY09 aip arra guidance.pdf

Funding Amount: \$1.1 billion (Federal)

Description: Funds will be used by the FAA to provide airport grants to repair and improve critical

infrastructure at our nation's airports.

Who is Eligible: Airports must be part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) to be

eligible for funding. Priority will be given to projects that can be completed within 2 years and serve to supplement and not supplant planned expenditures from airport-generated

revenues or from other State and local sources. All projects must comply with subchapter 1 of chapter 471 and subchapter 1 of chapter 475 of title 49.

More Information: The Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation will administer the funds through

a **competitive grant** program. I encourage you to visit the FAA's recovery website at http://www.faa.gov/recovery/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more information. The Secretary is required to award 50% of the funds within 120 days of enactment and award

the remaining amounts no later than 1 year after enactment.

You can also contact:

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration 800 Independence Avenue SW

Washington, DC 20591 1-866-TELL-FAA

Program: Grants to Improve FAA Power Systems (Competitive)

Funding Agency: Federal Aviation Administration

Funding Amount: \$200 Million (Federal)

Description: Funds will be used to make infrastructure improvements to power systems (\$50 million).

modernizing air route traffic control centers (\$50 million), Replacing air traffic control towers and terminal radar approach control facilities (\$80 million), and installing airport

lighting, navigation and landing equipment (\$20 million).

Who is Eligible: Priority will be given to projects that can be completed within 2 years.

More Information: The Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation will administer the funds through

a competitive grant program. I encourage you to visit the FAA's recovery website at

http://www.faa.gov/recovery/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration 800 Independence Avenue SW

Washington, DC 20591 1-866-TELL-FAA

Program: High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Rail (Discretionary)

Funding Agency: Federal Railroad Administration

Website: http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2153

Funding Amount: \$8 Billion (Federal)

Description: Funds will be for the Capital Assistance to States Program and the High Speed

Passenger Rail Program. The Capital Assistance to States Program is open for capital

assistance and planning activities necessary to support improved or new intercity

passenger rail service.

Who is Eligible: Priority will be given to projects that support the development of intercity high speed rail

service.

More Information: Applications for competitive discretionary grants must be submitted electronically to

http://www.grants.gov. Paper applications will not be accepted. For more application

guidelines, please visit http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2170.

Program: Capitol Investment Grants (New Starts and Small Starts) (Discretionary)

Funding Agency: Federal Transit Administration

Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants financing 3590.html

Funding Amount: \$750 Million (Federal)

Description: The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) discretionary New Starts program is the

federal government's primary financial resource for supporting locally-planned,

implemented, and operated transit "guideway" capital investments. From heavy to light rail, from commuter rail to bus rapid transit systems, the FTA's New Starts program has helped to make possible hundreds of new or extended transit fixed guideway systems

across the country.

Who is Eligible: Public bodies and agencies (transit authorities and other state and local public bodies

and agencies thereof) including states, municipalities, other political subdivisions of states; public agencies and instrumentalities of one or more states; and certain public corporations, boards, and commissions established under state law. Priority will be given to projects that are currently in construction or are able to obligate funds within 150 days.

More Information: Visit http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants financing 3590.html for a complete

Program Summary Fact Sheet on the New Starts Program.

For More Information Contact:

The Office of Program Management, (202) 366-4020.

For additional information about planning a New Starts project, contact:

FTA Office of Planning: 202-366-2360.

For additional information about New Starts projects under construction, contact:

FTA Office of Engineering: (202) 366-1656.

Funding is available through September 30, 2012.

Program: Energy Consumption and Greenhouse Emissions Reduction Program

Funding Agency:

: Federal Transit Administration

Website:

http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Funding Amount:

\$100 Million (Federal)

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) website at http://www.fta.dot.gov/ and

http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for further information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Transportation

(602) 712-7355

http://www.dot.state.az.us/

FTA Region IX Office 201 Mission St., Suite 1650 San Francisco, CA 94105-1839

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Secretary: Gary Locke

Main Website: http://www.commerce.gov/

Recovery Website: http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/index.htm

Main Phone Number: 202-482-2000



Program: Public Works and Economic Development Assistance (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Commerce

Funding Amount: \$150 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.eda.gov/AboutEDA/Regions.xml

Description: The Public Works and Economic Development Program makes investments to help

support the construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and facilities necessary to generate or retain private sector jobs and investments, attract private sector capital, and promote regional competitiveness, including investments that expand and upgrade infrastructure to attract new industry, support technology-led development,

redevelop brownfield sites and provide eco-industrial development.

EDA assistance is available to rural and urban areas of the Nation experiencing high

unemployment, low income, or other severe economic distress.

A summary of all Economic Development Administration Programs can be found at

http://www.eda.gov/AboutEDA/Programs.xml.

\$50 million will be used for economic adjustment assistance to help communities recover from sudden and severe economic dislocation and massive job losses due to corporate restructuring. \$50 million may be transferred to federally authorized, regional economic

development commissions.

Who is Eligible: The program's Recovery funding is first distributed regionally on a formulaic basis based

on high unemployment or low per capita income, and then each region actively seeks

competitive applications. Funds will be distributed by federal agencies.

More Information: Visit http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/Investments.xml for current information on

EDA's Programs, Investment Policies and Funding Opportunities. You can also contact

the regional office with jurisdiction over Arizona:

Seattle Regional Office

Jackson Federal Building, Room 1890

915 Second Ave.

Seattle, WA 98714-1001

(206)220-7660

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Secretary: Hilda Solis

Main Website: http://www.dol.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.dol.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 1-866-4-USA-DOL



Program: Workforce Investment Act (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor Funding Amount: \$3.95 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.dol.gov/recovery/implement.htm

Description: The Workforce Investment Act provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment

Act provide \$3.95 billion in funding for WIA programs in which an unemployed individual can search for a job, get vocational rehabilitation, create a resume, research careers and

find training. This funding includes:

• \$500 Million for adult employment and training activities (http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general_info.cfm)

• \$1.2 Billion for Youth Activities, including summer jobs for youth (http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/)

 \$1.25 Billion for Dislocated Worker Employment and Training Activities (http://www.doleta.gov/programs/ETA_default.cfm)

• \$750 Million for a program of **competitive grants** for worker training and placement in high growth and emerging industry sectors.

 \$50 Million in Formula Funds and Competitive Grants for YouthBuild Activities to expand services to at-risk youth, who gain education and occupational credentials while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing (http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/YouthBuild.cfm)

Who is Eligible: Funds will be distributed to the states by formula; states will then award funding through

competitive grants for the specific programs.

More Information: For further information about out what specific workforce development services are

available in your area, you will need to contact your local Arizona Department of

Economic Security office at https://www.azdes.gov/aspnew/default.asp.

Program: Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor \$120 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.doleta.gov/seniors/

Description: The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is a community service

and work based training program for older workers. It was authorized by Congress in Title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide subsidized, part-time, community service work based training for low-income persons age 55 or older who have poor employment prospects. Through this program, older workers have access to the SCSEP services as well as other employment assistance available through the workforce investment system.

Program participants must be at least 55 and have a family income of no more than 25% over the Federal poverty level. Enrollment priority is given to persons over age 60, veterans, and qualified spouses of veterans. Preference is given to minority, limited

English-speaking, and Indian eligible individuals. Preference is also given to eligible

individuals who have the greatest economic need.

Who is Eligible: Nonprofit organizations may apply.

More Information: A list of current recipients of federal SCSEP funds is available at

http://www.doleta.gov/seniors/html_docs/AboutSCSEP.cfm. For further information regarding SCSEP Programs in your area, contact your local One-Stop Career Center through the Toll-Free Help Line at 1-877-US2-JOBS or contact Arizona's State Grantee:

Arizona Department of Economic Security Division of Aging and Adult Services

1789 W. Jefferson, 950-A Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 542-6425 Fax: (602) 542-6575

Email: joelmillman@azdes.gov

Program: Dislocated Workers Assistance National Reserve (Discretionary)

Funding Agency:
U.S. Department of Labor

Funding Amount:
\$200 Million (Federal)

Website:

http://www.doleta.gov/layoff/

Description: These funds will allow the Secretary of Labor to award national emergency grants to

respond to plant closings, mass layoffs and other worker dislocations. These funds are

administered through three discretionary grant programs:

 <u>National Emergency Grants:</u> Temporarily expand service capacity at the State and local levels through time-limited funding assistance in response to significant dislocation events (http://www.doleta.gov/neg/apply_neg.cfm)

• <u>Trade Adjustment Assistance:</u> Designed to assist individuals who have become unemployed as a result of increased imports from, or shifts in production to, foreign counties.

(http://www.doleta.gov/tradeact/petitions.cfm#1)

Rapid Response Services: Helps workers and employers deal with the
effects of layoffs and plant closures, including those that result from
increased competition from imports, natural disasters, and other events.
(http://www.doleta.gov/layoff/rapid_coord.cfm)

Who is Eligible: For a full list of who is eligible for this Dislocated Worker Assistance, please see

http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/eligibility.cfm

You can also contact:

United States Department of Labor

Frances Perkins Building 200 Constitution Ave., NW Washington, DC 20210 Phone: 1-877-US2-JOBS Fax: 1-202-693-2726

Program: High Growth Job Training Initiative (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor Funding Amount: \$750 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.doleta.gov/BRG/JobTrainInitiative/

Description: This initiative is a strategic effort to prepare workers to take advantage of new and

increasing job opportunities in high growth, high demand and economically vital sectors

of the American economy.

\$500 million of the total allotment must be used for research, labor exchange and job training activities that prepare workers for careers in health care, energy efficiency and renewable energy fields.

Grants will be awarded for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy. Grants will also be available to prepare workers for careers in the health care sector.

Who is Eligible:

In order to be eligible for consideration under this solicitation, the applicant must be either: 1) an individual community or technical college, 2) a community college district, 3) a state community college system, or 4) a One-Stop Career Center in partnership with its Local Workforce Investment Board. For educationally underserved communities without access to community or technical colleges, there are other eligible applicants. For full eligibility requirements, please see

http://www.doleta.gov/usworkforce/documents/misc/cb-faqs.cfm#eligibility.

More Information:

To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to visit the U.S. Department of Labor High Growth Job Training Initiative website at http://www.doleta.gov/BRG/JobTrainInitiative/ and http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for additional information.

You can also contact:

United States Department of Labor

Frances Perkins Building 200 Constitution Ave., NW Washington, DC 20210 Phone: 1-877-US2-JOBS Fax: 1-202-693-2726

Program: Office of Job Corps (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor Funding Amount: \$250 million (Federal) Website: www.jobcorps.gov

Description: Job Corps offers a comprehensive array of career development services to at-risk women

and men, ages 16 to 24, to prepare them for successful careers. The American

Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$250 million to allow the Office of Job Corps to move forward on a number of ready-to-go rehabilitation and construction projects. A portion of the funds will be available to provide additional training for careers in the energy efficiency, renewable energy, and environmental protection industries.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the U.S. Department of Labor Job Corps website at http://www.jobcorps.gov and

http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more information.

You can also contact:

Job Corps: San Francisco Regional Office

90 7th St., Suite 12-100 San Francisco, CA 91403 Phone: (415) 625-2600 Fax: (415) 625-2590

Email: san region@jobcorps.gov

Program: Green Jobs Training (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor – Employment and Training Administration

Funding Amount: \$500 million (Federal) **Website:** http://www.doleta.gov/

Description: These funds are designated for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy

efficiency and renewable energy as described in the Green Jobs Act of 2007.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the Department of Labor's Employment & Training Administration Website at http://www.doleta.gov and http://www.doleta.gov and http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more

information.

You can also contact:

U.S. Department of Labor/ETA Region VI Office

90 7th St., Suite 17-300 San Francisco, CA 94103 Phone: (415) 625-7900 Fax: (415) 625-7923

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary: Steven Chu

Main Website: http://www.energy.gov/

Recovery Website: http://www.energy.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 1-800-DIAL-DOE



Program: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Funding Amount: \$3.2 Billion (Federal)

Description: The purpose of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program is to reduce

fossil fuel emissions, decrease overall energy consumption, and improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other energy consuming sectors of the economies of eligible entities. Each state is required to pass on 60% of its funding share

to cities and counties not receiving direct formula funding.

Who is Eligible: Eligible entities include States, Cities, Counties, and Native American Tribes. \$400

million will be reserved to provide competitive grants to local governments that are not

eligible entities through the formula.

More Information: Visit http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm for further information.

You can also contact:

the **EERE Information Center** via toll-free phone at 1-877-EERE-INFO.

Program: Weatherization Assistance Program (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Funding Amount: \$5 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/

Description: The Weatherization Assistance Program enables low-income families to permanently

reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient. By reducing the energy bills of low-income families instead of offering aid, weatherization reduces dependency and liberates these funds for spending on more pressing family issues. On average, weatherization reduces heating bills by 32% as well as overall energy bills. Services include attic, wall and basement insulation, blower-door-guided air leakage reduction; heating system repairs or replacement; and health and safety testing and inspections. All measures are provided based on an on-site energy audit and on cost-

effective guidelines.

Who is Eligible: There is an income requirement to receive funding from this program. The program has

been expanded through the Economic Recovery Bill to include households at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. The maximum allowed per household has been

increased from \$2,500 to \$6,500.

More Information: Funds will be added to Arizona's State Weatherization Assistance Program. Please see

their website at http://www.azcommerce.com/Energy/Low-

Income+Weatherization+Assistance+Program.htm for more information

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

1700 W. Washington, Suite 220

Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: State Energy Program (Discretionary)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy Funding Amount: \$3.1 Billion (Federal)

Description: The State Energy Program provides grants to states and directs funding to state energy

offices. States use grants to address their energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. This funding will provide resources for activities in state energy offices, including key initiatives such as residential,

commercial and governmental building energy efficiency retrofits.

More Information: Funds are distributed at the discretion of the State of Arizona. Contact the Arizona

Department of Commerce's State Energy Office for further information about State

Energy Program Grants. Contact information can be found at

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/state energy program/seo contacts by state.cfm/state=A

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You can also contact:

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Biomass from Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy \$800 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/biomass/

Description: The Office of Renewable Energy's Biomass Program works with industry, academia, and

our national laboratory partners on a balanced portfolio of research in biomass feedstocks and conversion technology. Through research, development, and demonstration efforts geared toward the development of integrated biorefineries, the Biomass Program is helping transform the nation's renewable and abundant biomass resources into cost competitive, high performance biofuels, biproducts, and power.

Who is Eligible: The Department of Energy will disburse this funding through competitive grants and

discretionary spending for biomass research and development.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.recovery.gov

for more information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

1700 W. Washington, Suite 220

Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Geothermal from Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy Funding Amount: \$400 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/

Description: The Geothermal Technologies Program (GTP) develops innovative geothermal energy

technologies to find, access, and use the Nation's geothermal resources. Through research, development, and demonstration efforts that emphasize the advancement of enhanced geothermal systems (EGS), GTP is working to provide the United States with

an abundant, clean, renewable baseload energy source.

Who is Eligible: The Department of Energy will disburse this funding through competitive grants and

discretionary spending for geothermal technologies research and development.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/ and

http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Advanced Research Projects Agency – Energy (ARPA-E)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy Funding Amount: \$400 Million (Federal)

Description: ARPA-E is designed to support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the

innovation cycle for both the traditional and alternative energy sources and energy

efficiency as authorized by the America COMPETES Act.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Please check http://www.energy.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

1700 W. Washington, Suite 220

Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Vehicle Technologies
Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy
Funding Amount: \$400 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/

Description: Vehicle Technologies Program professionals work with industry leaders to develop and

deploy advanced transportation technologies that could achieve significant improvements

in vehicle fuel efficiency and displace oil with other fuels that ultimately can be domestically produced in a clean and cost-competitive manner. Program activities include research, development, demonstration, testing, technology validation, technology

transfer, and education.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/ and

http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy \$4.5 Billion (Federal) http://www.oe.energy.gov/

Description: The mission of the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE) is to lead

national efforts to modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to energy supply

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.oe.energy.gov/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Fossil Energy Research and Development

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy \$3.4 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.fossil.energy.gov/

Description: The Office of Fossil Energy is responsible for several high-priority initiatives including

implementation of the \$2 billion, 10-year Clean Coal Power Initiative to develop a new generation of environmentally sound clean coal technologies, and the nation's Strategic

Petroleum Reserve and Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.fossil.energy.gov/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Advanced Battery Manufacturing (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

Description: Advanced Battery Manufacturing funding is to be used for the manufacturing of advanced

batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, component manufacturers, and

software designers.

Funding will be awarded through Competitive Grants to domestic manufacturing

facilities.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.eere.energy.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

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Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203

Program: Transportation Electrification Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Funding Amount: \$400 Million (Federal)

Description: Funding is designated to implement a grant program for qualified electric transportation

projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment.

Funding will be awarded by Competitive Grants to states, local governments, and

metropolitan transportation authorities.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.eere.energy.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

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Program: Smart Grid Investment Program U.S. Department of Energy Funding Amount: \$4.5 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm

Description: Funding is allocated to modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the

energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and

deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized

purposes.

Funding will be disbursed by regional demonstration initiative and matching grants to

states.

More Information: For more information, check http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm and

http://www.recovery.gov.

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Commerce

Energy Office

1700 W. Washington, Suite 220

Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1100 Fax: (602) 771-1203 U.S. Department of Energy Office of Electricity Delivery and

Energy Reliability

1000 Independence Ave, SW Washington, DC 20585 Phone: (202) 586-1411 Fax: (202) 586-1472

Program: Physics Research Science Program (Competitive) **Funding Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science

Funding Amount: \$1.6 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://science.doe.gov/

Description: Grants will primarily be awarded for research in high-energy physics, nuclear physics,

and fusion energy sciences via competitive grants to universities, companies, and

national laboratories.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://science.doe.gov/ and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

For more information, contact:

U.S. Department of Energy

Office of Science

1000 Independence Ave., SW Washington, DC 20585 Phone: (202) 586-5430

Program: Innovative Technology Loan
Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Funding Amount: \$6 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/index.html

Description: The Energy Policy Act of 2005 authorizes the U.S. Department of Energy to issue loan

guarantees to eligible projects that "avoid, reduce, or sequester air pollutants or anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases" and "employ new or significantly

improved technologies as compared to technologies in service in the United States at the

time the guarantee is issued".

Who is Eligible: Eligible applicants include any firm, corporation, company, partnership, association,

society, trust, joint venture, joint stock company, or governmental non-Federal entity that

meets specific guidelines.

More Information: For more information, including how to apply, please see

http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/features.html

For Specific Program Related Inquiries:

Loan Guarantee Program Office U.S. Department of Energy CF 1.3 1000 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington D.C. 20585 Phone: 202-586-8336 Fax: 202-586-7366

Program: Transmission Loan Guarantees
Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Funding Amount: \$4 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/

Description: Funding provides loans for renewable energy power generation and transmission

projects.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. For more information, please see http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/features.html

For Specific Program Related Inquiries:

Loan Guarantee Program Office U.S. Department of Energy CF 1.3 1000 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington D.C. 20585 Phone: 202-586-8336 Fax: 202-586-7366

Program: Research into Low-Emission Coal Plants (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy \$800 Million (Federal)

Description: Funding will be allocated via **Competitive Grants** for Research into Low-Emission Coal

Plants.

More Information: The U.S. Department of Energy has not yet released details about how these funds will

be disbursed. Check http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

National Energy Technology Laboratory Customer Service Line

(800) 553-7681

Program: Industrial carbon-capture and energy efficiency improvement projects (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy \$1.52 Million (Federal)

Description: Funding will be allocated via **Competitive Grants** for Industrial carbon-capture and

energy efficiency improvement projects.

More Information: At this time, further details on this program are unavailable. Check

http://www.netl.doe.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

National Energy Technology Laboratory Customer Service Line

(800) 553-7681

Program: Grants for identifying sites to store carbon dioxide emissions (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy Funding Amount: \$50 Million (Federal)

Description: Funding will be allocated via **Competitive Grants** for identifying sites to store carbon

dioxide emissions.

More Information: At this time, further details on this program are unavailable. Check

http://www.netl.doe.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

National Energy Technology Laboratory Customer Service Line

(800) 553-7681

Program: Training of electrical grid workers **Funding Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy

Funding Amount: \$100 Million (Federal)

Description: The electric grid delivers electricity from points of generation to consumers, and the

electricity delivery network functions via two primary systems: the transmission system and the distribution system. The transmission system delivers electricity from power plants to distribution substations, while the distribution system delivers electricity from distribution substations to consumers. The grid also encompasses myriads of local area networks that use distributed energy resources to serve local loads and/or to meet specific application requirements for remote power, village or district power, premium

power, and critical loads protection.

Who is Eligible: Funding will be provided via grants to states; partners could include non-profits, labor

associations, state and local veterans' groups, and state and local governments

More Information: At this time, further details on this program are unavailable. Check

http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm_and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Secretary: Ken Salazar
Main Website: http://www.doi.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.doi.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 202-208-3100



Program: Clean Drinking Water Fund

Funding Agency: Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation

Funding Amount: \$1 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.usbr.gov/

Description: Grants will be based on a **priority ranking system** to provide clean, reliable drinking

water to rural areas and to ensure an adequate water supply to western localities

impacted by drought

More Information: At this time, there are no further details about how to apply for these funds. Check

http://www.doi.gov/recovery/ and http://www.usbr.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

U.S. Department of the Interior

1849 C St. NW

Washington, DC 20240 Phone: (202) 208-3100

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Secretary: Kathleen Sebelius
Main Website: http://www.hhs.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 202-619-0257



Program: Community Health Center Infrastructure Grants (Competitive)

Funding Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA

Funding Amount: \$1.5 Billion (Federal)
Website: http://bphc.hrsa.gov/

Description: These funds are designated to renovate clinics and make health information technology

improvements. Funding will be provided through Competitive Grants for existing

Grantees.

Who is Eligible: Public and private non-profit health care organizations may apply.

More Information: For application instructions, visit http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm.

Program: Community Health Center Services Grants (Competitive)

Funding Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA

Funding Amount: \$500 Million (Federal) **Website:** http://bphc.hrsa.gov/

Description: These funds are designated to increase the number of uninsured Americans who receive

quality healthcare. Funding will be provided through Competitive Grants for existing

Grantees.

Who is Eligible: Public and private non-profit health care organizations may apply.

More Information: For application instructions, visit http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm.

Program: Community Health Center Services Grants – New Access Point Grants (Formula)

Funding Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA

Funding Amount: \$155 Million (Federal) \$3,900,000 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html

Description: These funds are designated to create 126 new Community Health Centers across the

country. \$3.9 million of the funds are designated to construct Community Health Centers

in Arizona.

More Information: For more information on the program, please see

http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html. For a list of awarded funds,

please see http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/applicant.html.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Secretary: Eric Holder

Main Website: http://www.usdoj.gov/

Recovery Website: http://www.usdoj.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 202-514-2000



Program: COPS Hiring Recovery Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Community Oriented Policing Services

Funding Amount: \$1 Billion (Federal)
Website: http://cops.usdoj.gov/

Description: COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) is a **competitive grant** program that provides

funding directly to law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority to create and preserve jobs and to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$1 billion to

support this program.

There is no local match requirement for CHRP, but grant funding will be based on current entry-level salary and benefits packages and therefore any additional costs for higher salaries or benefits for particular individuals hired will be the responsibility of the grantee

agency.

CHRP grants will provide 100 percent funding for approved entry-level salaries and benefits for 3 years (36 months) for newly-hired, full-time sworn officer positions (including filling existing unfunded vacancies) or for rehired officers who have been laid off, or are scheduled to be laid off on a future date, as a result of local budget cuts. In addition, there is no cap on the number of positions an agency may request, but awards will be limited to available funding. Please be mindful of the initial 3-year grant period and your agency's ability to fill the officer positions awarded, while following your agency's established hiring policies and procedures.

At the conclusion of federal funding, grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded under the CHRP grant. The retained CHRP-funded position(s) should be added to the grantees law enforcement budget with state and/or local funds, over and above the number of locally-funded positions that would have existed in the absence of the grant.

Funding will be provided through September 30, 2010

Who is Eligible: Law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority

More Information: Applications for CHRP grants will be accepted only online through the COPS Office

website at http://www.cops.usdoj.gov.

For further information, you can call David Buchanan, Vonda Matthews or Shannon Long in the COPS Grant Office at (202) 514-9079 or call the COPS Office Response Center

toll free at (800) 421-6770.

Program: The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Bureau of Justice Assistance

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

Website:

\$42 Million (State) http://ojp.usdoj.gov

Description: The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program allows states and local

governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. JAG replaces the Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) programs with a single funding mechanism that simplifies the administration process for grantees. The American Recovery and

Reinvestment Act provides \$2 billion to support this program.

Who is Eligible: The procedure for allocating JAG funds is a formula based on population and crime

statistics, in combination with a minimum allocation to ensure that each state and territory receives an appropriate share. Traditionally, funds were distributed 60/40 between state

and local recipients.

More Information: Funding will be distributed directly to State and Local law enforcement agencies. Please

visit http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

You can also contact:

Kathryn Winton, Arizona Policy Director (West Region)

(202) 353-2325

Kathryn.Winton@usdoj.gov

Program: The Edward Byrne Competitive Grant Program (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Bureau of Justice Assistance

Funding Amount: \$225 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html

Description: Byrne **Competitive Grants** are similar to JAG grants and are focused on ensuring job

growth and job retention. However, instead of providing grants based on a formula, BJA administers these funds based on a competitive application process. These grants help state and local communities improve the capacity of local justice systems and may be

used for national efforts such as training and technical assistance.

Who is Eligible: Applicants may be national, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including

for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local

government that support the functioning of the criminal justice system.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to visit

the U.S. Department of Justice website at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html

and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

Kathryn Winton, Arizona Policy Director (West Region)

(202) 353-2325

Kathryn.Winton@usdoj.gov

Program: Assistance for Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Drug-Related Crime (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Bureau of Justice Assistance

Funding Amount: \$125 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html

Description: This funding is for grants to combat the persistent problems of drug-related crime in rural

America. Funds are available on a competitive basis for drug enforcement and other law enforcement activities in rural states and rural areas, including for the hiring of police

officers and for community drug prevention and treatment programs.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the U.S. Department of Justice website at

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recov<u>eryact.html</u> and http://www.recovery.gov for more

information.

Program: Victim Compensation and Assistance (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Office for Victims of Crime

Funding Amount: \$100 Million (Federal) \$1.2 Million (State)

Website: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/pdftxt/RecoveryAct FY09 VOCA Victim Compensation.pdf

The Recovery Act provides for \$100 million in funding for victim compensation and **Description:**

> assistance. Of that \$100 million, \$47.5 million in formula funding will be directed to state agencies that administer VOCA-funded crime victim compensation programs, and an additional \$47.5 million in formula funding will be directed to state agencies that administer VOCA-funded crime victim assistance programs. The State of Arizona will

receive \$1,223,000 as its federal share.

More Information: Funding will be distributed through state agencies that provide Victims of Crime

Assistance. For guidance on the application process, or for more information, visit http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html#victimcompensation.

For assistance with the programmatic requirements of this solicitation, contact your state's assigned OVC Victim Justice Program Specialist at 202-307-5983. You will

receive a response to your inquiry within 24 hours.

This application must be submitted through OJP's Grants Management System (GMS). For technical assistance relating to the on-line application system, call the Grants

Management System Support Hotline at 1–888–549–9901, option 3, Note: GMS Support Hotline hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

National Field-Generated Training, Technical Assistance and Demonstration Project (NFG) Program:

(Competitive)

U.S. Department of Justice Funding Agency:

Funding Amount: \$5 million (Federal)

Website: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/dakit.htm#FY2009tta

Description: The Office for Victims of Crime will administer a competitive grant program for private

> non-profit organizations or public agencies to support the development of national-scope training, technical assistance and demonstration project initiatives. All initiative must focus on improving the capacity of victim service providers and allied practitioners to advance rights and services to crime victims in a variety of areas, including child abuse,

elder abuse, sexual assault, and stalking.

Who is Eligible: Private non-profit organizations or public agencies

More Information: You must visit http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/dakit.htm#FY2009tta to apply for these funds.

I also encourage you to visit http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more

information. For more information about this program and the Office for Victims of Crime,

you should visit its website at http://www.ovc.gov.

Program: Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Funding Amount: \$50 Million (Federal)

Website: http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html

Description: The U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

agency operates the ICAC Task Force Program. This program helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop an effective response to cyber enticement and child pornography cases. This help encompasses forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services, and community education. The program was developed in response to the increasing number of children and teenagers using the Internet, the proliferation of child pornography, and heightened online activity by

predators seeking unsupervised contact with potential underage victims.

Who is Eligible: The ICAC program is a national network of 59 coordinated task forces representing over

2,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies. These agencies are engaged in proactive investigations, forensic investigations, and criminal prosecutions. By helping state and local agencies to develop effective, sustainable responses to online child victimization and child pornography, OJJDP has increased their

capacity to address Internet crimes against children.

More Information: To date, the ICAC Task Force has not provided guidance on how these federal funds will

be administered. In the coming days, check http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html and

http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

You can also contact:

Arizona Regional ICAC Task Force Agency Contact

Det. Sgt. Frank Kardasz Phoenix Police Department

(602) 650-3170

Frank.Kardasz@phoenix.gov

Program: Violence Against Women Prevention (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice – Office on Violence Against Women

Funding Amount: \$225 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm

Description: The mission of the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) is to provide federal

leadership to reduce violence against women, and to administer justice for and strengthen services to all victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This is accomplished by developing and supporting the capacity of state, local, tribal, and non-profit entities involved in responding to violence against women. \$175 Million of the allocated funds are for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Assistance Program (http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm) and \$50 Million is

for Transitional Housing Assistance Grants

(http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm).

Who is Eligible: All states, territories, and the District of Columbia are eligible to apply for a STOP formula

grant award. Transitional Housing Assistance Program grants may be awarded to States, units of government, Indian tribes, and other organizations, including domestic violence and sexual assault victim service providers, domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions, other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations, or community-based and culturally specific organizations, that have a documented history of effective work

concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

More Information: Grants will be distributed by the federal agency, and I would encourage you to visit each

program's website for more information. Funding is available through September 30,

2010

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Secretary: Arne Duncan
Main Website: http://www.ed.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.ed.gov/recovery

Main Phone Number: 1-800-USA-LEARN



Program: Title I Grants to local educational agencies (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education (Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title I)

Funding Amount: \$10 Billion (Federal) \$194.8 Million (Arizona)

Description: Title I of The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is the primary source of

federal aid to K-12 education. The ESEA was initially enacted in 1965 and was most

recently amended and reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$10 billion for ESEA Title I with an additional \$3 million allotted for School Improvement Grants. Arizona is expected to receive \$194,876,000 in Title I grants under the American Recovery and Reinvestment

Act.

Title I, Part A, of the ESEA authorizes federal aid to local educational agencies (school districts) for the education of disadvantaged children. Title I, Part A grants provide supplementary educational and related services to low-achieving and other pupils attending pre-kindergarten through grade 12 schools with relatively high concentrations

of pupils from low-income families.

Portions of each annual appropriation for Title I, Part A are allocated under four different formulas—Basic, Concentration, Targeted, and Education Finance Incentive Grants (EFIG)—although funds allocated under all of these formulas are combined and used for the same purposes by recipient local education agencies (LEAs). Although the allocation formulas have several distinctive elements, the primary factors used in all four formulas are estimated numbers of children aged 5-17 in poor families plus a state expenditure factor based on average expenditures per pupil for public K-12 education. Other factors included in one or more formulas include weighting schemes designed to increase aid to LEAs with the highest concentrations of poverty, and a factor to increase grants to states

with high levels of expenditure equity among their LEAs.

Who is Eligible: Funding will be distributed to individual school districts and LEAs.

More information: For a list of how much your local school district is expected to receive, please visit

http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/titlei/fy09recovery/index.html

If you have any questions or concerns about Title I, Part A Recovery Funds for Grants to

Local Education Agencies, please e-mail them to: oese@ed.gov

Program: Educational Technology State Grants (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education (Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title II)

Funding Amount: \$650 Million (Federal) \$12.4 Million (Arizona)

Description: Title II, Part D of ESEA provides funding for education technology. The American

Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$650 million for this program. The State of

Arizona is estimated to receive \$12,436,000 of these funds.

These funds are used to increase access to educational technology, support the integration of technology into instruction, enhance technological literacy, and support

technology related professional development of teachers.

Who is Eligible: At least 95% of these funds must be allocated by the state department of education to

LEAs (school districts). 50% of the funds will be distributed by formula, in proportion to Title I, Part A grants, and 50% will be award competitively. As a result, school districts will

have to apply to receive a portion of these funds.

More Information: For more information about how to receive funds, you can contact:

Arizona Department of Education

1535 W. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-5393

http://www.ade.state.az.us/

Program: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Grants (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education

Funding Amount: \$12.2 Billion (Federal) \$194.1 Million (Arizona)

Description: IDEA is the major federal statute that supports special education and related services for

children with disabilities. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$12.2 billion in IDEA Grants. The State of Arizona is estimated to receive \$194,166,000 in IDEA

funding.

As a condition of accepting IDEA funding, the act requires that states and LEAs provide a free appropriate public education to each eligible child with a disability. The IDEA is divided into four parts. Part A contains the general provisions, including the purposes of the act and definitions. Part B, the most often discussed part of the act, contains provisions relating to the education of school aged children (grants to states) and a state grant program for preschool children with disabilities (Section 619). Part C authorizes state grants for programs serving infants and toddlers with disabilities, while Part D

contains the requirements for various national activities designed to improve the education of children with disabilities.

Who is Eligible: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides funding to states for Part B and

Part C of IDEA.

More Information: For more information about how to receive funds, you can contact:

Arizona Department of Education

1535 W. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-5393

http://www.ade.state.az.us/

Program: State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Education

Funding Amount: \$53.6 Billion (Federal) \$1 Billion (Arizona)

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act created a state stabilization fund to

provide funds directly to states for an education stabilization fund to prevent education related layoffs, upgrade, repair and modernize schools and restore harmful cuts to

education funding. The bill provides \$53.6 billion in federal funding. The State of Arizona is estimated to receive \$1,016,955,000 from these funds.

Who is Eligible:

Funding under this section will be provided to each state governor. The governor would be required to use at least 81% of the state's allocation to support elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education. The governor will also be required to provide the Department of Education with certain assurances regarding the distribution of these funds.

In addition, \$5 billion will go to states as bonus grants for meeting key performance measures in education. \$8.8 billion will go to states for high priority needs such as public safety and other critical services, which may include modernization, renovation, and repairs of public school facilities.

More Information:

For more information about how to receive funds, you can contact:

Arizona Department of Education

1535 W. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85007 (602) 542-5393

http://www.ade.state.az.us/

Program: Federal Pell Grant Funding (Formula)

U.S. Department of Education Funding Agency: \$15.64 Billion (Federal) **Funding Amount:** Website: http://www.fafsa.ed.gov

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act increases the maximum Pell Grant to **Description:**

\$5,350 for the 2009-2010 school year and to \$5,550 for the 2010-2011 school year.

Under the Federal Pell Grant program, Pell Grants are made available to low-income undergraduate students to help offset their costs associated with obtaining a postsecondary education. The Pell Grant program is the largest source of federal grant aid to postsecondary students. Pell Grants are portable, in that the grant aid follows students to the eligible postsecondary education institutions in which they enroll.

The Pell Grant award amount is primarily based on the financial resources that a student and the student's family are expected to contribute toward postsecondary education expenses—the student's expected family contribution (EFC). The Pell Grant award is considered to be the foundation of a student's financial aid package because all other forms of federal student aid (e.g., federal student loans) are awarded after the Pell Grant

award amount has been determined.

Who is Eligible: Financial need is determined by the U.S. Department of Education using a standard

> formula, established by Congress, to evaluate the financial information reported on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and to determine the family EFC.

The deadline for filing the FAFSA for the 2009-2010 school year is June 30, 2009. To More Information:

learn more and download a copy of the FAFSA, visit the Department of Education

website at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Secretary: Janet Napolitano
Main Website: http://www.dhs.gov

Recovery Website: http://www.dhs.gov/recovery

Main Phone Number: 202-282-8000



Program: Firefighter Assistance Grants (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA

Funding Amount: \$210 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.firegrantsupport.com/

Description: Fire companies play a critical role in providing safety and security to our nation's

communities. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$210 million in

competitive grants for non-federal fire stations.

Funds can be used to modify, upgrade or construct non-federal fire stations.

To date, no further details have been released about this program. It is likely FEMA will administer this program in a fashion similar to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Program (AFG).

Who is Eligible: State and local fire companies are eligible to apply. The Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA) will administer these infrastructure grants to fire

departments.

More Information: Visit http://www.firegrantsupport.com/ for more information

You can also contact:

DHS/FEMA/Grant Programs Directorate Assistance to Firefighters Grant ProgramTech World Building – South Tower 5th Floor

500 C Street SW Washington, DC 20472

Phone: 1-866-274-0960 (Help Desk)

firegrants@dhs.gov

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Secretary: Shaun Donovan
Main Website: http://www.hud.gov/

Recovery Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/

Main Phone Number: 202-708-1112



Program: Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$1 Billion (Federal) \$14,438,699 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/library/stateguide/

Description: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development administers formula grants to

entitled states, cities and counties to develop viable communities. Communities receiving CDBG funds are permitted to carry out a wide range of community development activities

directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing

improved community facilities and services.

Who is Eligible: An eligible activity under this grant program is the improvement of public facilities and

privately-owned utilities. These improvements can include the costs of connecting existing residential structures to water/sewer lines and installing wells, septic tanks, and septic fields. Priority will be given to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days. Funding will be distributed through formula to entitlement communities and cities. Entitlement cities in Arizona's 5th District are: Chandler, Mesa, Phoenix,

Scottsdale, and Tempe.

More Information: Contact information for CDBG coordinators in each city is available at

http://www.hud.gov/local/az/community/cdbg/index.cfm

You can also contact:

Arizona Department of Housing 1110 W. Washington St., Suite 310

Phoenix, AZ 85007 Phone: (602) 771-1021

Program: Project-Based Rental Assistance (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal) \$15,389,085 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/pbrassistance.cfm

Description: The Section 8 Program was authorized by Congress in 1974 and developed by HUD to

provide rental subsidies for eligible tenant families (including single persons) residing in newly constructed, rehabilitated and existing rental and cooperative apartment projects.

The rents of some of the residential units are subsidized by HUD under the Section 8 New Construction ("New Construction"), Substantial Rehabilitation ("Substantial Rehabilitation") and/or Loan Management Set-Aside ("LMSA") Programs. All such assistance is "project-based", i.e.; the subsidy is committed by HUD for the assisted units

of a particular Mortgaged Property for a contractually determined period.

Who is Eligible: There are 6,300 contracts that will be funded. HUD will use the \$2.0 billion provided in

the legislation to fund contract renewals under the Section 8 program. In line with Congressional directives, the department will use the money provided to fund contract renewals on a full twelve-month cycle. This will avoid the payment disruptions that have occurred in recent years and enable owners to maintain their properties in an acceptable

condition.

More Information: Visit http://www.hud.gov/recovery/pbrassistance.cfm for more information

You can also contact:

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Program: Lead Hazard Reduction/Healthy Homes (Competitive)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$100 Million (Federal) \$3,211,918 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm

Description: The Lead Hazard Reduction Program has four components:

The **Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program** assists States, Native American Tribes, cities, counties/parishes, or other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing.

The **Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program** assists urban jurisdictions with the greatest lead-based paint hazard control needs in undertaking programs for the identification and control of lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental and owner-occupied housing units.

The **Healthy Homes Demonstration Grant Program** develops, demonstrates, and promotes cost-effective, preventive measures to correct multiple residential safety and health hazards that produce serious diseases and injuries in children and other sensitive subgroups such as the elderly, with a particular focus on low income households. The Healthy Homes Demonstration Program is committed to supporting HUD's strategic goal of strengthening communities by addressing housing conditions that threaten health.

The **Healthy Homes Technical Studies Grant Program** works to gain knowledge to improve the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of methods of evaluation and control of lead-based paint and other housing-related health and safety hazards. This supports HUD's strategic goal to strengthen communities and the associated policy priority to improve our nation's communities by improving the environmental health and safety of families living in public and privately owned housing.

Who is Eligible: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 authorized and provided funds for

HUD to award grants under this grant program to those applicants under its fiscal year 2008 Notice of Funding Availability that were qualified for award but were not funded due

to limitations of funds originally available.

More Information: To date, further details have not been made available. Please visit

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm for more information.

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Program: Homelessness Prevention Fund (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$1.5 Billion (Federal) \$22,083,797 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm

Description: The Homelessness Prevention Fund will provide financial assistance and services to

prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance. The funds will provide for a variety of assistance, including: short-term or

medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services,

including such activities as mediation, credit counseling, security or utility deposits, utility

payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.

At least 60 percent of funds must be spent within two years; all funds must be spent

within three years.

Who is Eligible: Eligible applicants include Metropolitan Cities, urban Counties and States (for distribution

to local governments and private nonprofit organizations).

More Information: Funding will be distributed through formula allocation. Please check

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm for more information.

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Program: Tax Credit Assistance Program (**Formula**)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$2.25 Billion (Federal) \$32,308,066 (Arizona)

Website:

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm

Description: The Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP) provides grant funding for capital investment

in Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects via a formula-based allocation to State housing credit allocation agencies. The housing credit agencies in each State shall distribute these funds competitively and according to their qualified allocation plan. Projects awarded low income housing tax credits in fiscal years 2007, 2008, or 2009 are

eligible for funding but housing credit agencies must give priority to projects that are

expected to be completed by February 2012. 75 percent of TCAP funds will be

percent of the funds must be expended by February 2012.

Who is Eligible: The 52 State Housing Credit Agencies that administer the Low-Income Housing Tax

Credit Program are the only eligible applicants. (The 50 states plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico). No other organization, entities, or individuals are eligible for

committed by February 2010, 75 percent must be expended by February 2011, and 100

funding.

More Information: Funding is by formula allocation to the 52 eligible state agencies. Please check

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm for more information.

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Program: Native American Housing Block Grants (**Competitive**) **Funding Agency:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$100 Million (Federal)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nahblockh.cfm

Description: The Native American Housing Block Grant program, authorized by the Native American

Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 ("NAHASDA") assists tribes in developing, operating, maintaining, and supporting affordable housing for rental and homeownership housing. Funds can be used for acquisition, new construction,

rehabilitation of affordable housing, site improvement, development and rehabilitation of

utilities and infrastructure, utility services, conversion, demolition, financing,

administration and planning, improvement to achieve greater energy efficiency, mold remediation, investments that leverage private sector funding or financing for

renovations, and energy conservation retrofit investments.

Funds will be obligated through **competitive funding** by September 30, 2009. Priority will be given to projects that will spur construction and rehabilitation and will create employment opportunities for low-income and unemployed persons. Tribes/tribally designated housing authorities (TDHE) will be required to obligate 100 percent of their funds within 1 year of the date funds are made available, expend at least 50 percent of such funds within 2 years of the date in which funds became available, and expend 100 percent of such funds within 3 years of such date. If a tribe/TDHE fails to comply with the 2 year expenditure requirement, the funds will be recaptured and reallocated by formula to tribes that have complied with this requirement. If a tribe/TDHE fails to comply with the 3 year expenditure requirement, the balance of the funds originally awarded to the tribe/TDHE will be recaptured.

Milestones in the award process include the publication of a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), submission of an application by the tribe/TDHE, review of the application by HUD, and execution of a Funding Approval/Agreement by the tribe/TDHE. In compliance with the Recovery Act, the funds will be obligated by September 30, 2009.

The Catalog of Federal domestic Assistance number (CFDA) for this program is 14.887.

Who is Eligible: Eligible applicants include Indian tribes or tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs)

eligible to receive funding under NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.)

More Information: For more information, please visit http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nahblockh.cfm

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Program: Native American Housing Block Grants (Formula) Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$255 Million (Federal) \$53,843,793 (Arizona)

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/native-american-formula.cfm Website:

Description: The Native American Housing Block Grant program funds new construction, acquisition,

> rehabilitation, including energy efficiency and conservation, and infrastructure development activities. Funds can also be used to leverage private sector financing for new construction, renovation and energy retrofit investments. In selecting projects to be

> funded with Recovery Act funds, recipients shall give priority to projects for which contracts can be awarded within 180 days from the date that such funds are available to

the recipient.

Tribes/TDHEs will be required to obligate 100 percent of their funds within one year of the date funds are made available, expend at least 50 percent of such funds within two years of the date in which funds became available, and expend 100 percent of such funds within three years of such date. If a recipient fails to comply with the two year expenditure requirement, funds will be recaptured and reallocated under the formula to tribes that comply with this requirement. If a recipient fails to comply with the three year expenditure requirement, the balance of the funds originally awarded to the recipient will be recaptured.

Funds for these purposes will be distributed according to the same funding formula that was used to allocate Indian Housing Block Grant funds in fiscal year 2008. Funds will be obligated within 30 days of the enactment of the Recovery Act. Tribes/TDHEs will be required to complete an Indian Housing Plan (IHP) amendment to their fiscal year 2008 IHP and to execute a Funding Approval/Agreement with the Special Conditions. These documents will need to be signed by the tribe/TDHE and sent to the relevant Area Office of Native American Programs (ONAP). Once these documents are received by the Area ONAP, the Funding Approval/Agreement will be executed and the information will be entered in the accounting system so that funds will be available in the Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS).

Who is Eligible: Eligible applicants include Indian tribes or tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs)

eligible to receive funding under NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seg.)

More Information: For more information, please visit http://www.hud.gov/recovery/native-american-

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Program: Public Housing Capital Fund (Formula)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$3 Billion (Federal) \$12,068,449 (Arizona)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm

Description: The Public Housing Capital Fund provides funds for the capital and management

activities of Public Housing Agencies as authorized under Section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g) (the "Act"), including modernization and development of public housing. The funds cannot be used for operations or rental

assistance.

Public housing authorities shall give priority to capital projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available to the public housing authorities. Public housing agencies shall give priority consideration to the rehabilitation of vacant rental units and capital projects that are already underway or included in the 5-year capital fund plans required by the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437c-1(a)). Any restriction of funding to replacement housing uses shall be inapplicable. Funds provided shall supplement and not supplant expenditures from other Federal, State, or local sources or funds independently generated by the grantee. Notwithstanding Section 9(j), public housing agencies shall obligate 100 percent of the funds within one year of the date on which funds become available to the agency for obligation, shall expend at least 60 percent of funds within two years of the date on which funds become available to the agency for obligation, and shall expend 100 percent of the funds within three years of such date.

Who is Eligible: Public Housing Agencies that own or operate Low Income Public Housing and are

eligible to receive capital funding under Section 9 of the United States Housing Act of

1937.

More Information: Funds shall be obligated to public housing agencies within 30 days of enactment of the

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which was signed February 17, 2009. Each public housing authority will execute a Capital Fund Program Amendment to the Annual Contributions Contract (ACC), which must be signed by the local HUD Field Office. The authorities will provide the local HUD Field Office an Annual Statement specifying how the funds are to be used, and the Field Office spreading the individual budget line items (BLIs) in HUD Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS). For more

information, please visit http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm

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Program: Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Funding Amount: \$2 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm

Description: Competitive grants are awarded for activities eligible under division B, title III of the

Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-289, NSP round 1), to

address home foreclosure and abandonment and for the provision of capacity building and support for NSP grantees. Rating factors will include grantee capacity to execute projects, leveraging potential, and concentration of investment to achieve neighborhood stabilization. Grantees must expend at least 50 percent of each grant within 2 years and 100 percent within 3 years of grant award. HUD may run two competitions - one addressing the provision of technical assistance (not to exceed \$50 million) and one to provide programmatic funding for grantees (remainder of funding).

Who is Eligible:

Eligible applicants are states, units of general local government, nonprofit entities, and consortia of nonprofit entities, which may submit proposals in partnership with for profit entities.

More Information:

HUD must issue Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA) with application requirements no later than May 3, 2009. Applicants will prepare an application and, for programmatic funding, complete citizen participation before submitting to HUD. Applications will be due to HUD not later than 150 days after enactment. HUD will review applications and make awards shortly thereafter. For more information, please visit

http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm

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CONSUMER TAX CREDITS

IRS Commissioner: Douglas Shulman
Main Website: http://www.irs.gov/

Recovery Website: http://www.irs.gov/recovery

Main Phone Number: 1-800-829-1040

Program: One-Time Economic Recovery Payment

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides for a one-time payment of \$250

to individuals who receive Social Security benefits, Railroad Retirement benefits, veteran's compensation or pension benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI),

excluding individuals who receive SSI while in a Medicaid institution.

Furthermore, individuals must have been participating in one of these programs three

months prior to 02/17/2009 to qualify.

The one-time payments will not come from Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as they have in previous legislation. The Social Security Administration expects everyone who is entitled to a payment to receive it by late May 2009. No action is required by the

individual at this time.

Program: Making Work Pay Tax Credit

Description: A refundable tax credit will be issued of up to \$400 for working individuals and \$800 for

working families in 2009 and 2010.

For individuals who receive a paycheck and are subject to withholding, the credit will typically be handled by their employers through automated withholding changes in early spring. These changes may result in an increase in take-home pay. The amount of the credit must be reported on the employee's 2009 income tax return filed in 2010.

Taxpayers who do not have taxes withheld by an employer during the year can also claim the credit on their 2009 tax return.

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It is not necessary to submit a Form W-4 to get the automatic withholding change.

However, an employee with multiple jobs or married couples whose combined incomes place them in a higher tax bracket may elect to submit a revised W-4 to ensure enough withholding is held to cover the tax for his or her combined income. Individuals with a gross income above \$75,000 or married couples filing jointly are not eligible for this tax

credit.

Program: Refundable First-Time Home Buyer Credit

Description: Last year, Congress provided taxpayers with a refundable tax credit that was equivalent

to an interest-free loan equal to 10% of the purchase of a home (up to \$7,500) by first time home buyers. Taxpayers receiving this tax credit are currently required to repay any amount received back to the government of 15 years in equal installments, or, if earlier,

when the home is sold.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act eliminates the repayment obligation for taxpayers that purchase homes after January 1, 2009 and before December 1, 2009. In addition, the credit is increased to \$8,000 and removes the prohibition on financing by

mortgages revenue bonds.

This provision only applies to the individual's primary residence and if the individual changes residency within 36 months of the purchase, they will be required to payback the credit.

Program:

Sales Tax Deduction for Vehicle Purchases

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides taxpayers with a deduction for State and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase of a qualified motor vehicle until January 1, 2010.

A qualified motor vehicle means a passenger automobile, light truck, or motorcycle which has a gross vehicle weight of not more than 8,500 pounds, or a motor home.

TAX PROVISIONS

Program: Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREBs)

Funding Amount: \$1.6 Billion (Federal)

Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news detail.cfm/news id=12249

Description: The Energy Policy Act of 2005 created a tax-credit bond to finance qualified renewable

energy facilities. These bonds are unique because unlike normal bonds, CREBs are tax credit bonds and they pay the bondholders by providing a credit against their federal income tax. In effect, the CREBs will provide interest-free financing for certain renewable energy projects. Since the federal government essentially pays the interest via tax credits, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) needs to allocate such credits in advance to the lending authorities. Qualified facilities are those that generate electricity from the following sources: wind; closed-loop biomass; open-loop biomass; geothermal; small irrigation; hydropower; landfill gas; marine renewable; and trash combustion facilities.

Who is Eligible: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act authorizes an additional \$1.6 billion for

these bonds. Furthermore, this new authorization is subdivided into thirds: 1/3 will be available for qualifying projects of State/local/tribal governments; 1/3 for qualifying projects of public power providers; and 1/3 for qualifying projects of electric cooperatives.

More Information: The following website provides guidance on how the program was previously

administered: http://www.irs.gov/irb/2009-06 IRB/ar09.html.

For information about CREBs in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, check

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news_detail.cfm/news_id=12249.

Program: Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

Funding Amount: \$2.4 Billion (Federal)

Description: The definition of qualified energy conservation projects is fairly broad and contains

elements relating to energy efficiency capital expenditures in public buildings; renewable energy production; various research and development applications; mass commuting facilities that reduce energy consumption; several types of energy-related demonstration

projects; and public energy efficiency education campaigns.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$2.4 billion and modifies this bond program so that qualified energy conservation bonds may be issued to make loans and grants for capital expenditures to implement green community programs and can be used for programs in which utilities provide ratepayers with energy-efficient property and

recoup the costs of that property over an extended period of time.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at http://www.irs.gov and

<u>http://www.recovery.gov</u> in the coming days for more information.

Program: ENERGY STAR Tax Credits

Description: ENERGY STAR is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the

U.S. Department of Energy helping individuals and families save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices. The existing law provides a tax credit equal to 10% of the amount paid or incurred by the taxpayer for qualified energy efficiency improvements installed during the taxable year. The credit is capped depending on what item is purchased. Congress must reauthorize these tax credits

periodically.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act extends these tax credits through 2010. In addition, it increases the amount of the tax credit to 30% of qualified energy efficiency

improvements during the taxable year. Furthermore, this legislation implements a flat tax credit rate cap of \$1,500 on all qualifying purchases.

More Information:

For information on what home improvements qualify for this tax credit and how to access these credits, you will need to visit the ENERGY STAR website at

http://www.energystar.gov or call the ENERGY STAR Hotline at (888) 782-7937.

Program:

Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Property

Description:

The alternative refueling property credit provides a tax credit to businesses (such as gas stations) and individuals that install alternative fuel pumps, such as fuel pumps that dispense E-85 fuel, electricity, hydrogen, and natural gas.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act increases the current 30% alternative refueling property credit for businesses (capped at \$30,000) to 50% (capped at \$50,000). Hydrogen refueling pumps would remain at a 30% credit; however, the cap for hydrogen refueling pumps is increased to \$200,000. In addition, the Recovery Act increases the alternative refueling property credit for individuals from 30% to 50% (capped at \$2,000).

More Information:

In previous years, individuals who were seeking this tax credit had to submit an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 8911 when they filed their taxes. The following website provides guidance on how the tax credit was administered in 2007, http://www.irs.gov/irb/2007-22 IRB/ar10.html.

To date, no further details have been released about how to claim this tax provision under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. I encourage you to visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at http://www.irs.gov and http://www.recovery.gov for more information.

Program:

Plug-in Electric Drive Vehicle Credit

Description:

Late last year, Congress passed into a law a tax credit for qualified plug-in electric drive vehicles. Batteries of at least 4 kWh qualify for a \$2,500 credit. An additional \$417 is provided for each additional kWh, up to \$7,500 for vehicles up to 10,000 lbs. Vehicles up to 14,000 lbs qualify for a \$10,000 credit. Vehicles between 14,000 and 26,000 lbs qualify for a \$12,500 credit. Vehicles over 26,000 lbs qualify for a \$15,000 credit.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act modifies this existing law by limiting the maximum credit to \$7,500 regardless of vehicle weight and eliminates the credit for vehicles weighing 14,000 lbs or more.

More Information:

To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at http://www.irs.gov and http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more information. If you do not have access to the internet, you can call the IRS toll free at (800) 829-1040.

Program:

Advanced Energy Investment Credit

Funding Amount:

\$2.3 Billion (Federal)

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act establishes a new 30% investment tax credit for facilities engaged in the manufacturing of advanced energy project. A qualified advanced energy project is project that re-equips, expands, or establishes a manufacturing facility for the production of property designed to be used:

- To produce energy from the sun, wind, or geothermal deposits or other renewable resources
- Fuel cells, microturbines, or an energy storage system for use with electric or hybrid-electric motor vehicles

- Electric grids to support the transmission of intermittent sources of renewable energy, including storage of such energy
- Property designed to capture and sequester carbon dioxide
- Property designed to refine or blend renewable fuels (excluding fossil) or to produce energy conservation technologies
- Other advanced energy property designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as determined by the Secretary

Who is Eligible:

Qualified property must be depreciable property used in a qualified advanced energy project. Qualified property does not include property designed to manufacture equipment for use in the refining or blending of any transportation fuel other than renewable fuels. Credits are only available for projects certified by the Secretary of Treasury & Secretary of Energy through a competitive bidding process.

More Information:

180 days after enactment, the Secretary of Treasury must establish a certification program. To date, no further details are available about this program. I encourage you to visit the U.S. Department of the Treasury website at http://www.ustreas.gov, U.S. Department of Energy website at http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more information.

Program: Parity for Transit Benefits

Description: Current law provides a tax-free fringe benefit employers can provide to employees for

transit and parking. Those benefits are set at different dollar amounts.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act would equalize the tax-benefit employers can provide for transit and parking. The proposal sets both the parking and transit benefits at \$230 a month for 2009, indexes them equally for 2010, and clarifies that certain transit benefits apply to federal employees.

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More Information: For information about how the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) administered this program

in 2008, you can view IRS Publican 15-B at http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p15b_08.pdf. To date, no further details have been released about this program for 2009. I encourage you to visit the IRS website at http://www.irs.gov in the coming days for more

information. If you do not have access to the internet, you can call the IRS toll-free at

(800) 829-1040.

Program: Higher Education Tax Credit

Funding Amount: Up to \$2,500 based on the cost of tuition and related expenses paid during the taxable

year

Description: Under this new tax credit, taxpayers will receive a tax credit based on one hundred

percent of the first \$2,000 of tuition and related expenses (including books) paid during the taxable year and twenty-five percent of the next \$2,000 of tuition and related expenses paid during the taxable year. Forty percent of the credit would be refundable. This tax credit will be subject to a phase-out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in

excess of \$80,000 or \$160,000 for married couples filing jointly.

More Information: To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to

visit the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) website at www.irs.gov and www.recovery.gov

in the coming days for more information.

Program: Qualified School Construction Bonds

Funding Amount: \$22 Billion (Federal)

Description: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act creates a new category of tax credit

bonds for the construction, rehabilitation, or repair of public school facilities or for the acquisition of land on which a public school facility will be constructed. Up to \$22 billion in qualified school construction bonds that may be issued by State and local governments with half allocated in 2009 and the remainder allocated in 2010. Forty percent of the

bonds will be available to the largest school districts in the country.

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More Information:

To date, no further details have been released about this program. I encourage you to visit the U.S. Department of Education's website at http://www.ed.gov/ and http://www.recovery.gov in the coming days for more information.

Program:

Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZABs)

Funding Amount:

\$1.4 Billion (Federal)

Description:

QZABs are financial instruments that local education agencies sell to finance school renovation and modernization. The interest on these bonds is paid by the federal government through tax credits to the bondholder. The bondholders are allowed to apply the credits to their federal corporate income tax or alternative minimum tax liability.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act would allow an additional \$1.4 billion of Qualified Zone Academy Bond issuing authority to State and local governments in 2009 and 2010, which can be used to finance renovations, purchase equipment, develop course material, and train teachers and personnel at a qualified zone academy.

Who is Eligible:

Eligible schools include:

- Public schools that are either located in an Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community or in which at least 35 percent of the school's students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch under the federal lunch program (National School Lunch Act)
- Public schools that have an education program designed in cooperation with business and receive a private business contribution that is not less than 10 percent of the net present value of the proceeds of the bond
- Public schools that have an education plan that is approved by their school
 districts and in which students are subject to the same standards and
 assessments as other students in the district.

More Information:

For more information, visit the U.S. Department of Education website at http://www.ed.gov/programs/qualifiedzone/index.html or contact the Arizona Department of Education at http://www.ade.state.az.us/.

Program:

Build America (Tax Credit) Bond

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act creates a new "Build America Bond" tax credit to help State and local governments finance certain infrastructure projects. This program is unique because it will provide a tax credit bond in lieu of a tax-exempt bond.

Tax credit bonds differ from tax-exempt bonds in two ways: (1) interest paid on tax credit bonds is taxable; and (2) a portion of the interest paid on tax credit bonds takes the form of a Federal tax credit. The Federal tax credit offsets a portion of the cash interest payment that the State or local government would otherwise need to make on the borrowing.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides in 2009 and 2010 for State and local governments the option of issuing a tax credit bond instead of a tax-exempt governmental obligation bond. Because the market for tax credits is currently small given the current economic conditions, this provision will allow State or local governments to elect to receive a direct payment from the Federal government equal to the subsidy that would have otherwise been delivered through the Federal tax credit for bonds.

Program:

Recovery Zone Bonds

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act creates a new category for tax credit bonds for investment in economic recovery zone. The Recovery Act authorizes \$10 billion in recovery zone economic development bonds and \$15 billion in recovery zone facility bonds.

These bonds will be issued during 2009 and 2010. Each state will receive a share of the national allocation based on that state's job losses in 2008 as percentage of national job losses in 2008. These allocations would be sub-allocated to local municipalities.

Municipalities receiving an allocation of these bonds will be permitted to use these bonds to invest in infrastructure, job training, education and economic development in areas within the boundaries of the State, city or county that has significant poverty, unemployment or home foreclosures.

Program:

New Markets Tax Credits

Description:

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides an additional \$5 billion for the New Markets Tax Credits program. The New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program permits taxpayers to receive a credit against federal income taxes for making qualified equity investments in designated Community Development Entities (CDEs).

Substantially all of the qualified equity investment must in turn be used by the CDE to provide investments in low-income communities. The credit provided to the investor totals 39 percent of the cost of the investment and is claimed over a seven-year credit allowance period. In each of the first three years, the investor receives a credit equal to five percent of the total amount paid for the stock or capital interest at the time of purchase. For the final four years, the value of the credit is six percent annually. Investors may not redeem their investments in CDEs prior to the conclusion of the seven-year period.

The tax credit will go directly to state-certified CDE's.